

May 5, 1948

Dear Vicki and Jim,

I have been working so hard in the yard and pulling so many weeds that my handwriting is especially bad. Your letter came today and I was very interested in hearing about your garden. I hope the teachers will keep the rain storms from washing out the seeds again. I haven't planted yet as the weather still isn't quite warm enough but I have the area all ready.

I think it is very exciting about the teaching job Vicki. When some special trip comes up that you want to go on, you can probably get a substitute.

Mary and Mike are staying with us now as their apartment won't be ready until the middle of the month. Mary is driving back and forth to Olympia every day and will do so until every thing is cleared up there and then she

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will be working in Seattle. Mike  
is basically unemployed now but  
is busy working on his campaign.

Jack Jewett has been transferred  
to the First National Bank in Bellevue.  
He is very happy about it as it is  
a nice promotion. They don't know  
yet if they will move here or not  
as they love their home in Everett  
and the children are in school  
but they are trying to decide  
what to do. Beethie was so pleased  
that you called her, Jim, when you  
were here.

Dad's cousins, Bob Greta and Alf.  
from Sweden are coming on a tour  
in July. The tour takes them to N.Y.,  
Minneapolis and the highlights - in  
California and Disney land. Dad is  
going to write to them to ask if  
it would be possible for them to  
come out here to visit us. It  
probably would be hard for them  
to go so far from the tour but we  
will see. They are bringing their  
two little boys with them. To  
see them in California would be

difficult because they would be tied up with the taxes. The thought of our going to Minneapolis abhors me. Of course then we would see you on the trip and dad said we would get a motel while in Minneapolis, so every thing is still up in the air. Are you going to plan a trip to Europe this summer? If you have it in mind, don't give July a thought as far as we are concerned because I don't know anything yet.

I just talked to Gail. She is going to come over for dinner. She was so happy to talk to you Sunday night her divorce is supposed to become final May 9th. It certainly seems that fast.

It will be nice if you have the

chance to come out here before the big trip in August. You will have a party for you there.

Love,  
Mom